

Coroner Demands Panthers Produce Door Panel Missing From Raid Site

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CHICAGO, Jan. 15 (AP)—A deputy coroner conducting an inquest into the fatal shooting of two Black Panther Party leaders said today he will force an attorney representing Panther members to produce a door panel missing from the apartment where the shooting took place.

Martin S. Gerber, a lawyer serving as deputy coroner, asked Francis Andrew if he knew the whereabouts of the panel.

Gerber noted that a police witness has charged that attorneys representing Panther members have possession of the missing panel.

Police maintain the door

contains a single bullet hole showing a shot was fired from inside the apartment as police approached it. Attorneys for the Panthers have indicated that the panel has two bullet holes, one of which was caused by a projectile from outside the apartment.

Andrew said he holds the panel in trust for his clients and would release it only on the condition that all 14 policemen who participated in the raid first testify at the inquest. Some already have.

Gerber rejected the condition and termed it unfair. He said he would issue a subpoena to force Andrew to produce the missing panel.

Fred Hampton, 21, Illinois leader of the Panther Party, and Mark Clark, 22, a Peoria Panther leader, were slain Dec. 4 during a police raid on Hampton's West Side apartment.

One Defendant Granted Bail in Panther Killing

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 15 (AP)—Superior Court Judge Aaron J. Palmer set bail at \$10,000 Wednesday for Frances Carter, a Black Panther party member facing charges in the slaying of another Panther, Alex Rackley of New York.

Of the five Panthers arrested in the case who have requested bail, Palmer granted only the request of Miss Carter, 20, of Bridgeport.

She and 13 others were arrested after the death of Rackley, 25, whose body was found in a Middletown swamp May 21. Seven persons are awaiting trial here on murder and kidnaping charges. Two others pleaded guilty to lesser charges.